(ii) The Mysore Legislative Council.

62. No meetings of the Legislative Council were held during the year. By the Proclamation of His Highness the Maharaja dated the 25th November, 1949, the two Houses of Legislature in Mysore were dissolved with effect from the 16th December 1949, and a single Legislature—the Legislative Assembly—set up, to initially consist of all the members of the Mysore Constituent Assembly.

The Legislative Assembly

63. The first session of the Legislative Assembly commenced on the 12th January 1950, at the Legislative Assembly Hall under the chairmanship of Sri T. Siddalingaiah, who had been appointed by His Highness the Maharaja to preside over that meeting of the Legislative Assembly pending the election of the Speaker. At this meeting, Sri V. Venkatappa was elected as the Speaker, unopposed and several speeches felicitating him on his uncontested election were made. The next day, the Assembly met and elected Sri L. H. Thimma Boi a Deputy Speaker, Legislative Assembly, without any contest. Elections were also held to the seven vacancies in the Mysore Delegation to the Provisional Parliament of India as well as to the House Committee, Privileges Committee and the Public Accounts Committee of the Legislative Assembly.

64. The Budget Session of the Legislative Assembly commenced on 15th March 1950, and concluded on 4th April, 1950. The number of sitting days were sixteen.

65. For the first time after the formation of the Legislative Assembly and as required by the Constitution of India, His Highness the Maharaja addressed the Members of the Legislative Assembly at the Sir K. P. Puttanna Chetty Town Hall, Bangalore, on the afternoon of 15th March, 1950.

66. The following Bills were passed during the Session.—

1. The Mysore Appropriation Bill.
2. The Mysore Betting Tax (Amendment) Bill.
3. The Mysore Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill.

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4. The Mysore Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic (Amendment) Bill.
5. The Mysore Drugs (Control) Bill.
6. The City of Bangalore Improvement (Amendment) Bill.
7. The Mysore Prohibition (Amendment) Bill.
8. The Mysore General Clauses (Amendment) Bill.
9. The Mysore Minor Municipalities (Amendment) Bill.
10. The Mysore Town Municipalities (Amendment) Bill.
11. The Mysore City Municipalities (Amendment) Bill.
12. The Mysore Village Panchayet (Amendment) Bill.
13. The Motor Spirit (Taxation on Sales) (Amendment) Bill.
14. The Mysore City Municipalities (Second Amendment) Bill.
15. The City of Bangalore Municipal Corporation (Amendment) Bill, and
16. The Mysore Village Panchayet (Second Amendment) Bill.

67. The Bangalore Survey Bill was referred to a Select Committee.

Resolutions.

68. Out of forty resolutions that were tabled, eight were discussed, six were withdrawn and the other two were pressed to a division and declared lost.

69. During the course of the session, the Leader of the House made a statement with regard to the departments of the Government to be transferred to the Government of India and expressed the gratitude of the Government to the various heads of departments and the Officers working in those departments.

70. The Speaker set up a Committee consisting of six members of the Assembly with himself as Chairman to revise the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly under article 208 of the Constitution of India.

71. The question of making a preliminary survey with a view to finding out what should be the powers, privileges and immunities of the Legislative Assembly, its members and its committees was referred by the Speaker to the Committee of Privileges for a report.